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Date: 31 Oct 1994 18:18:01 -0500
From: rbellville@aol.com (RBellville)
Subject: Alinco 6 Meter rig \$\$\$

When I was at the NE ARRL flea in Boxboro, MA I talked with the Alinco
rep. He told me to expect this radio on the shelves by Thanksgiving with a
price tag of \$350 to \$400.

Its a REAL small rig. I think it'll look great in my truck!

- Rob, N1NTE

Date: Thu, 3 Nov 1994 19:12:00 GMT
From: rjw@cup.hp.com (Richard Webber)
Subject: FT530 Intermod Problem?

Rafael Solis (rafaels@zimmer.CSUFresno.EDU) wrote:
: After careful research and many nights of reading this group I decided
: to purchase a Yaesu FT530. The radio hasn't arrive yet and I'm

: expecting it someday this week. Last weekend in one of the local 2m
: nets one of the regulars mentioned that the FT530 has bad
: intermod, in particular when used with an external antenna. This
: person also mentioned that Yaesu is aware of this and that it will
: perform a modification free of charge if the unit is under warranty
: (otherwise this mod is about \$190). I never heard anyone in this
: group mentioning this. Is this true? How bad is it? Is it worth to
: send the unit to Yaesu with the risk that they screw-up other things?
: Need advise from FT530 owners and/or Yaesu people reading this.

: Thanks,

: Rafael, KE6JSR

: PS: Post your comments here so others benefit from your experience.

I have a 530 and just bought a Larsen Dual Band Mag Mount antenna for the car. I have noticed quite bad intermod on the UHF side of the HT when connected to the antenna. I have not noticed much with the rubber duckie that comes with the radio. I have had the 530 for about 18 months and I compared it to a friend's that he purchased less than 6 months ago. His radio seemed much less susceptible to intermod when connected to my antenna. Perhaps they have improved it in the later models.

Since the 440 repeater I frequent has a PL, I can use Tone Squelch to cut out most of the intermod.

Richard KD6ELB

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